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Fall has arrived! It's my favorite season with its crisp coolness and beautifully colored trees, not to mention, relief from the heat of summer. As I write this message, the LWML IED fall rally cycle is in full swing. Ron and I have just returned from Minnesota where we attended an awards ceremony where my sister-in-law was one of five alumni being honored by Concordia University, St. Paul. It was a wonderful experience! At the banquet, we met many people who have dedicated their lives to serving the Lord both at Concordia and in the communities in which they live.

Witnessing Christ's love and forgiveness is a normal part of a Christian school's work, shown through words but also, and possibly more so, through loving acts of kindness, concern and love. I hope students, who come from all over the world, will see it and come to recognize that this atmosphere is due solely to the redeeming work of Christ and the joy that it gives each of us. Of course, opportunities to show the love of Christ and the joy of the gospel aren't limited to Christian school settings, but come to each one of us every day no matter where we are as we go about the daily activities of life at work and play.

Witnessing the faith and love of Christ is not a choice but is simply a part of professing our Christian faith. Christ wants us to plant a seed or provide a spark. Like me, do you think of things to say after the time to say them has passed? In spite of missed opportunities and failures as witnesses, we are forgiven and can move forward with a prayer that a Gospel seed will germinate or a fire will be kindled. We may not often see the fruit of the seed or a flame take hold but be assured, the Holy Spirit never stops working.

One of the ways LWML members witness is through mites that support grants, development of Bible Studies, devotions and other materials. As of today, we are behind in meeting the district goal we set for ourselves at the Dubuque Convention in 2012. To help meet it by March 31, 2014, the end of the 2012-2014 biennium, please consider a special gift to celebrate Christmas. Keep in mind that it is the single mite that adds up to the thousands (millions nationally) given each biennium.

NEWS DEADLINE: January 15, 2014

SEND ITEMS TO:

Newsletter Editor

Becky Wehrspann

Every penny given for the Lord's work is important. With God's help and blessing, the goal will be met!

This is the last issue of the *Alive* for 2013, and again time to encourage you in your daily reading and studying of God's word. Any time is a great time to begin a study of God's Word but the beginning of a new year is a particularly good time as we are more apt to reflect back on the past year with both its joys and trials before planning for the next year. Please include daily time with the Lord in your plan for the new year. You can start now! Some guides to help are *Portals of Prayer*, the *Today's Light Bible*, the *Today's Light* reading guide, Mustard Seeds both printed and online, and, as we move forward in this electronic age, online plans available for mobile devices are becoming more available. Did you know that the Lutheran Study Bible is available in a Kindle edition?

This issue of the *Alive* includes registration and hotel forms for the LWML Iowa East District convention next summer in Marshalltown. The members of the Eldora Zone and your District Board of Directors are working hard to plan a convention that will inspire you and give you joy, at the same time as we do the necessary work of the district. "Rejoice in the Light" is the theme that has been chosen based on John 8:12, "When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, 'I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.'" (NIV) Please pray for all those preparing for your visit and please plan to attend.

I pray that God will richly bless your family and church family during this blessed holiday season.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year
Janice Johnston
President



Counselor's Corner

As I write this, Rhoda and I are praying that God will continue to grant life and health to the grandchildren in our daughter and daughter-in-law's wombs. As you read this, Lord willing, we will have celebrated or will soon celebrate the births and baptisms of two grandsons. Yes we know now, during pregnancy, that both babies are boys. There is one difference however. One grandson's name is decided. It's a done deal. Our son and his wife have put his initials on the wall of the nursery. Our daughter and her husband though are still thinking. They have their list, have had their discussions, but have yet to decide on the right name for their son. Or is that an incorrect way to think of it? Is there a "right" name for their son? I think not. Whichever name they pick from their list will be a name that our family will grow to love and associate with God's precious gift.

That was not the case with Joseph and Mary. They too, knew they would have a son. God, their child's true Father, told them so and then immediately He made unnecessary any lists and discussions about their son's name. In this case, there was a right name. It was not because it sounded right but simply because it WAS right. "You shall call His Name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins." (Matthew 1:21) Jesus means, "The Lord Saves," and by His perfect life, substitutionary death and victorious resurrection, Jesus lived up to His Name.

By the working of the Holy Spirit, "Jesus" is the right name for us to hear and to use. When Satan accuses you, tell yourself and him that his accusations cannot stick, for you have been baptized into the Name of Jesus. When guilt wears on you, believe the absolution that you have heard and received in the Name of Jesus. When troubles surround you, take them directly to the Father in the Name of Jesus to make your prayers acceptable and answered. When enemies attack the church, look ahead to the day when

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LWML IOWA EAST DISTRICT IS ONLINE!

www.lwml-ied.org

Here you can find:

Alive newsletter – in color!

*Color pictures from the PING event
and Fall Retreat at Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca*

Fall Zone Rally Highlights

*2014 LWML IED Convention & Hotel
registration forms*

Updates on our Mission Grant payments

GOSPEL OUTREACH

As our mighty mites are distributed to the 2012-2014 mission grant recipients, I have the pleasure of receiving grateful feedback and words of thanks. Hearing the stories of how our mites go to work throughout the world inspires us to keep our mite boxes filled to the brim.



Student Aid recipient, J'Nae Rempfer, writes, "As I enter my final semester, only four short months away from entering the field as a Lutheran teacher, I find I am increasingly more thankful for the prayers and care that I've received. I am incredibly grateful for your continued support."

Nearly monthly, we receive children's drawings, photos, and a letter update from Trinity/HOPE Haitian Feeding Program. In a recent letter, the grant administrator wrote, "They (the children of Haiti) are so appreciative of all that you do to provide them a meal they can depend on each school day. In their world, their basic need of food is not always met. Many do not have supper or breakfast before attending school. Their appreciation is overwhelming, and I wish I could share their warm hugs with you. Thank you for your heart of a servant to bring God's love to these children. Your support is making a difference in their lives, the lives of the teachers and their families. It is a wonderful experience to see Christianity growing in Haiti!"

It is truly heartwarming to know that our mites are working to provide physical and spiritual nourishment both domestically and internationally. There is no better motivator to keep up the great work with fundraising and collecting mites than these expressions of gratitude.

Sharon Andresen
Vice President, Gospel Outreach

at the Name of Jesus, every knee shall bow. When God grants you a new day give thanks in the Name of Jesus and strive to love and serve others so that the Name of Jesus may be glorified. When your last hour comes, put all your hope and trust in the Name of Jesus, for "there is no other name, under heaven, given among men, by which we must be saved." (Acts 4:12)

Jesus! Name of priceless worth to the fallen of the earth,
For the promise that it gave, "Jesus shall His people save."

Jesus! Name of wondrous love, Human name of God above;
Pleading only this, we flee – helpless, O our God, to Thee. (LSB 900)

Pastor David Rempfer

READY SET RECYCLE

Soon the blessed Christmas season will be behind us and we will be into 2014. How exciting that in just a year and a half we will be in the midst of the Des Moines National LWML Convention. The time to bolster up the Ready, Set, Recycle fundraiser is at hand. Our balance the end of October was \$24,678.72. As time gets closer expenses will be incurred quickly. So thank you for the work done already and I encourage you to continue to recycle used electronics or give a monetary donation as the convention nears and expenses are now being incurred. Send all direct monetary donations to Marilyn Schroeder, 1828 - 14th Street, Boone IA 50036.



Blessings to you,
Susan Bishop

Ready Set Recycle District Facilitator

2014 Student Aid Application Reminder:

The LWML IED college grant application process begins now for the 2014-2015 school year for students attending LCMS synodical colleges.

Check out the online checklist to start preparing your application at www.lwml-ied.org/StudentAid.aspx. At the end of the first paragraph, click on "Follow this simple checklist." **All application materials must be postmarked no later than May 1, 2014.**

We want to support as many students as possible when it comes time to head back to school next fall!

Sharon Andresen
Vice President, Gospel Outreach

CHRISTIAN LIFE

As I was sitting on the deck enjoying the beautiful fall day, one of the devotions in the Portals of Prayer comparing our lives to the changing of the seasons came to mind.



Springtime brings new life back after the long winter. The new growth reminds us of our births. As the new life of spring is fertilized and watered to make it grow, so we, as children of God are baptized and taught God's Word as we grow in faith and the knowledge of our Lord.

After graduation, we go into the summer of our lives that keeps us busy with our jobs, family, church friends, church work and other friends. The summer demands a lot of work with weeding, mowing grass, maintaining gardens, canning and freezing. The time passes all too quickly. Just as people tend to their gardens, lawns and fields, so parents tend to their children's lives so they are confirmed in faith and ready to meet the challenges of adult life with God. However, while our children grow in the Lord, so also, as summer plants continue to flourish and grow, we too flourish and grow in the Lord.

Fall comes with cooler weather, beautiful fall colors in leaves, fields and flowers. Our lives in the fall find us slowing down. We take trips, have more money to do the Lord's work and enjoy the beautiful earth God has given us. When we see the beautiful fall colors, they remind us of the beautiful work the Lord does through us as we have grown in faith, love and the wisdom of the Lord, proclaiming the message of salvation to those whom the Lord calls to faith.

The winter time brings cold, dreary days. Nature moves slower and the time of our lives is getting short. We have more aches and pains. It is harder to get around. Even our minds are not as sharp as they once were. It's during the winter of our lives that we more fully understand that it's not just physical aches and pains that we endure, but the spiritual as well. This is the time of our lives that we look forward to being free of the physical and spiritual aches and pains when the Lord Jesus delivers us from this valley of tears.

As quickly as the seasons pass, so our lives pass in the table of time. We need to keep our mites growing and full. By doing so, we are the beautiful plant that God created to spread the Word to the whole world. May God bless each of us as we go forward doing His work.

Your Sister in Christ,
Lavonne Hoversten

FINANCIAL SECRETARY

I have good news and bad news for you! The good news? Larry & I had a great trip to Colorado in September to visit with some of our siblings and see more of God's beauty. The bad news? I didn't get a deposit made before the end of the September. The good news? Over \$5000 in checks awaited deposit when we got home. The bad news? The money you sent at the end of September is not included in the attached report. The good news? When I updated membership numbers for the report I noticed that some societies have increased membership. The bad news? We do not have current "Society Record Forms" for some societies. The good news? Vickie Ozburn has streamlined the process for submitting the forms this year. Of course, the best Good News of all is that Jesus Christ came to earth for us. No bad news there!



Serving Him with you,
Helen Thuedepohl
Financial Secretary

SOCIETY RECEIPTS

ALDEN, ST PAUL LADIES AID (20)	\$122.82
ATKINS, ST STEPHENS LADIES SOCIETY (22)	\$288.11
BELLE PLAINE, FIRST LUTHERAN LADIES AID (20)	\$174.01
BENNETT, ST PAUL LADIES AID	\$35.00
BETTENDORF, OUR SAVIOR LWML (18)	\$100.60
BLAIRSTOWN, GRACE LUTHERAN LADIES AID (11)	\$592.59
BUCKEYE, ST PAUL LUTHERAN LADIES AID (9)	\$40.25
BURLINGTON, CONCORDIA MARY/MARTHA GUILD (4)	\$144.15
CEDAR FALLS, COLLEGE HILL EVENING GUILD (15)	\$70.40
CEDAR FALLS, OUR REDEEMER MARY MARTHA GUILD (10)	\$0.00
CEDAR RAPIDS, BETHANY WOMEN'S GUILD (66)	\$732.84
CEDAR RAPIDS, CONCORDIA WOMENS MISSION CIR (10)	\$400.00
CEDAR RAPIDS, KING OF KINGS LWML (35)	\$167.09
CEDAR RAPIDS, TRINITY HOME MISSION SOCIETY (55)	\$1,032.86
CEDAR RAPIDS, WORD OF GOD ELIZABETH (inactive)	\$0.00
CENTER POINT, ST JOHN RUTH CIRCLE (15) (inactive)	\$0.00
CHARITON, TRINITY LADIES AID (15)	\$241.77
CHARLOTTE, IMMANUEL LUTHERAN WOMEN (30)	\$364.88
CLINTON, ST JOHN LADIES AID (16)	\$553.62
CLINTON, ST JOHN MARY/MARTHA SOCIETY (18)	\$158.25
CLINTON, TRINITY EVENTIDE (19)	\$154.00
CLINTON, TRINITY LADIES AID (10)	\$165.50
CONROY, TRINITY LADIES GUILD (inactive)	\$0.00
CORALVILLE, PRINCE OF PEACE WOMEN (8)	\$0.00
DAVENPORT, HOLY CROSS ALTRUISTIC GUILD (24)	\$121.18
DAVENPORT, IMMANUEL LADIES AID (7)	\$141.00
DAVENPORT, IMMANUEL MISSION CLUB (15)	\$46.18
DAVENPORT, RISEN CHRIST LWML (35)	\$156.61
DAVENPORT, TRINITY LWML (40)	\$0.00
DELAWARE, ST PAULS WOMEN'S SOC (5)	\$46.00
DEEP RIVER, CALVARY LWML (disbanded)	\$0.00
DENVER, ST JOHN LWML (22)	\$145.90
DE WITT, GRACE LUTHERAN WOMEN (55)	\$542.62
DUBUQUE, OUR REDEEMER CHARITY GUILD (30)	\$400.52
DUBUQUE, OUR REDEEMER LWML (6)	\$38.00
DUBUQUE, WOMEN OF ST PAUL (20)	\$140.00
ELDORA, ST PAUL LWML (50)	\$0.00
ELDRIDGE, PARK VIEW WOMEN REACHING OUT (25)	\$108.00
ELMA, ST PETER LWML (21)	\$1,048.70
EVANSDALE, ST PAUL LADIES AID (10)	\$28.31
FAIRBANK, ST JOHN LADIES AID DORCAS CIRCLE (12)	\$139.00
FAIRFIELD, IMMANUEL LADIES AID (25)	\$40.78
FAYETTE, GRACE LWML (inactive)	\$0.00
FORT MADISON, OUR SAVIOR LADIES GUILD (8)	\$101.41
FREDERICKSBURG, ST PAULS LADIES AID (19)	\$0.00
FREDERICKSBURG, ST PAUL'S LYDIA CIRCLE (20)	\$418.63
GARRISON, ST MARKS TABITHA SOCIETY (12)	\$404.00
GLADBROOK, CHRIST LUTHERAN WOMEN'S SOC (inactive)	\$0.00
GRAND MOUND, IMMANUEL MARY MARTHA CIRCLE (16)	\$224.94

GRINNELL, IMMANUEL LWML (10)	\$0.00
GUTTENBERG, TRINITY LADIES AID (16)	\$288.50
HAMPTON, TRINITY LUTHERAN LADIES SOCIETY (60)	\$1,682.50
HIAWATHA, ZION LWML (34)	\$200.00
HOMESTEAD, ST JOHN'S LADIES AID (16)	\$337.53
HUBBARD, ST JOHN'S MISSION CIRCLE (21)	\$474.41
INDEPENDENCE, OUR REDEEMER MISSION LEAGUE(10)	\$95.19
IOWA CITY, OUR REDEEMER MISSION GUILD (30)	\$0.00
IOWA FALLS, IMMANUEL LADIES AID (57)	\$627.72
JESUP, GRACE CONCORDIA LADIES AID (15)	\$80.68
KEOKUK, MESSIAH LADIES AID (INACTIVE)	\$0.00
KEYSTONE, ST JOHN DORCAS GUILD (12)	\$43.89
KNOXVILLE, TRINITY LWML (20)	\$732.14
LACONA, ST PAUL LADIES AID (10)	\$432.83
LATIMER, ST PAULS LWML (37)	\$1,259.70
LOWDEN, TRINITY LADIES AID (20)	\$238.34
LUZERNE, ST PAULS LADIES AID (18)	\$166.00
MANCHESTER, OUR SAVIOR MISSION GUILD (21)	\$649.35
MAQUOKETA, BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR LWML	\$0.00
MARENGO, ST JOHN'S LADIES AID (22)	\$134.18
MARENGO, ST JOHN'S RUTH/SARAH CIRCLE (8)	\$0.00
MARION, ST PAULS LWML (50)	\$866.37
MARSHALLTOWN, TRINITY LADIES AID DILLION (5)	\$0.00
MARSHALLTOWN, REDEEMER LWML (25)	\$190.40
MASON CITY, BETHLEHEM LWML (52)	\$1,016.31
MELCHER, ST JOHN LWML (8)	\$87.50
MILLERSBURG, TRINITY LWML (7)	\$53.21
MONTICELLO, ST JOHNS LADIES AID (3)	\$272.50
MT PLEASANT, FAITH LWML (10)	\$564.65
MT VERNON, ST PAUL PRISCILLA GUILD (10)	\$530.46
MUSCATINE, OUR SAVIOR LWML (25)	\$207.72
MC GREGOR, WOMEN OF ST PAUL (6-8)	\$0.00
NEWHALL, ST JOHN TABITHA SOCIETY (30)	\$146.75
NEWTON, OUR SAVIOR FAITH SOCIETY (15)	\$456.40
OELWEIN, PEACE SONSHINE MISSION CIRCLE (16)	\$241.14
OSAGE, ST JOHNS LWML (inactive)	\$0.00
OSAGE, TRINITY LWML (65)	\$470.11
OSKALOOSA, ST JOHN LWML (25)	\$146.78
OTTUMWA, TRINITY LWML (12)	\$0.00
READLYN, IMMANUEL, KLINGER LADIES AID (22)	\$279.95
READLYN, ST PAULS LADIES SOCIETY (11)	\$22.00
READLYN, ST PAUL MARY/MARTHA CIRCLE (18)	\$257.84
REINBECK, ST JOHN DORCAS SOCIETY (28)	\$50.00
RICEVILLE, ST PETERS LWML (20)	\$481.87
ST ANSGAR, IMMANUEL LWML (58)	\$871.86
SHELL ROCK, PEACE LADIES AID (5)	\$0.00
SHELLSBURG, ZION LADIES GUILD (13)	\$100.00
SIGOURNEY, HOPE MISSION GUILD (4)	\$100.00
STANWOOD, ST PAULS HOME MISSION CIRCLE (1)	\$135.15
STATE CENTER, TRINITY LADIES AID (23)	\$109.00
STATE CENTER, ST JOHN LADIES AID (23)	\$241.77



2014 LWML IED CONVENTION – REGISTRATION FORM

June 20-21, 2014

Best Western Regency Inn—3303 South Center St. –Marshalltown, IA

Complete one form for EACH person attending and make a copy for your reference.

NAME: _____ (Please Print Clearly)

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: () _____ *E-MAIL: _____

LWML ZONE: _____ NAME OF CHURCH: _____

ATTENDANCE: (Check One)

- Delegate (must register as full-time)
- Alternate
- LWML IED Board Member – (voting)
- LWML IED Board Member – (non-voting)
- Pastor
- Guest

CHECK SPECIAL ASSISTANCE NEEDS:

- Wheelchair
- Gluten Free meals
- Vegetarian meals
- Other (please specify)

FRIDAY SERVANT EVENT: I will be attending

FRIDAY BOX LUNCH: (Please check one of the following)

- Turkey and American Cheese Roast Beef and Cheddar Ham and Swiss

FRIDAY NIGHT BANQUET: (Please check one of the following)

- Roast Pork Loin Chicken Cordon Bleu

FEES: (Check One)

- Full-time (registration fee, Fri. lunch & banquet, Sat. lunch).....\$90.00 **After May 1, 2014:** \$100.00
 - Friday only (registration fee, Fri. lunch & banquet).....\$60.00 **After May 1, 2014:** \$ 70.00
 - Friday banquet only.....\$35.00
 - Saturday only (registration fee and plated luncheon)..... \$45.00 **After May 1, 2014:** \$ 55.00
- (Complimentary breakfast is included with lodging but is NOT included for Saturday only.)

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____ (make check payable to: **LWML IED Convention**)

For a confirmation notice, provide email* (above) or enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope with this form.

Send Registration Form and Check to:
Trinity Lutheran Church Attn: Arlene Troester
16 12th Avenue, NE
Hampton, IA 50441

Registration Form and fees are due by May 1, 2014 and are not refundable.

MEALS CANNOT BE GUARANTEED FOR REGISTRATIONS RECEIVED AFTER June 6, 2014.

2014 LWML IOWA EAST DISTRICT CONVENTION HOTEL RESERVATION FORM

June 20-21, 2014

BEST WESTERN REGENCY INN - OR - SUPER 8 MOTEL MARSHALLTOWN, IOWA

(Please print clearly. For your reference, make a copy of this reservation form.)

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ PHONE () _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

DATE OF ARRIVAL _____ Thursday, June 19 _____ Friday, June 20

DATE OF DEPARTURE _____ Saturday, June 21 Number of Nights _____

Reserve _____ LWML Room at **Best Western Regency Inn** for \$99.68 including taxes & up to 4 guests per room.

CHOOSE: _____ 2 Queen beds _____ Non-smoking _____ A room on the first floor because
 _____ 1 King bed _____ Smoking I have a problem with walking up
Complimentary hot buffet breakfast included with lodging. stairs. (There is no elevator.)

OR

Reserve _____ LWML Room at **Super 8 Motel** for \$84 which includes taxes & up to 4 guests in a room.

CHOOSE: _____ 2 Double beds _____ Non-smoking _____ A room on the first floor because
 _____ 1 King bed _____ Smoking I have a problem with walking up
Complimentary expanded continental breakfast included with lodging OR you may purchase the hot
buffet breakfast at the Best Western Regency for \$6.42 by paying for it at the Best Western Regency front
desk on Friday morning.

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT INFORMATION: (Complete this form if reserving by mail)

Name of Credit Card Company: _____

Account Number: _____ Expiration date: _____

Name of person on the account: _____

Your Signature _____



Make your own hotel reservation either by mailing this form to Best Western Regency Inn or to Super 8 Motel. Or by calling the Best Western Regency Inn at: 641-752-6321 or the Super 8 Motel at: 641-753-3333. Mention the LWML Convention when reserving your room. **Hotel Reservation Deadline—June 1, 2014**

Mail Hotel Registration Form to:

Best Western Regency Inn
3303 South Center Street
Marshalltown, IA 50158

or

Super 8 Motel
3315 South Center Street
Marshalltown, IA 50158

Directions to Hotels: From all directions, the Best Western Regency Inn and the Super 8 Motel are located at the intersection of US 30 and Iowa Highway 14 just to the north when exiting at Exit 185. Highway 14 is South Center Street in Marshalltown. The hotels are side by side and share a parking lot.

SUMNER, ST JOHN/ST PAUL LADIES SOCIETY (21)	\$294.88
VAN HORNE, ST ANDREW MISSIONARY SOCIETY (15)	\$393.71
VENTURA, REDEEMER DORCAS SOCIETY (24)	\$175.00
VICTOR, ST JAMES LWML (20)	\$297.28
VICTOR, ST JOHNS LADIES AID (17)	\$198.29
VINTON, TRINITY MISSION CIRCLE (10)	\$180.00
WAPELLO, ST PAUL LWML (8)	\$109.44
WATERLOO, CHRIST CIRCLE OF HOPE (6)	\$0.00
WATERLOO, CONCORDIA LWML (20)	\$0.00
WATERLOO, FAITH, WOMEN OF FAITH (21)	\$418.50
WATERLOO, GRACE HANNAH SOCIETY (17)	\$112.00
WATERLOO, GRACE LADIES AID (10)	\$84.00
WATERLOO, IMMANUEL WOMEN'S GUILD (22)	\$121.82
WATERLOO, IMMANUEL DORCAS SOCIETY (17)	\$218.79
WAVERLY, ST JOHN DORCAS SOCIETY (27)	\$498.00
WAVERLY, ST PAUL LWML - ARTESIAN (12)	\$273.96
WELLSBURG, ST JOHN LWML (10)	\$0.00
WESTGATE, ST PETER LUTHERAN CHURCH WOMEN (22)	\$82.14
WEST UNION, GOOD SHEPHERD LWML(inactive)	\$0.00
WILLIAMSBURG, ST PAUL WOMEN'S GUILD (22)	\$568.85
WILLIAMSBURG, IMMANUEL LADIES AID (14)	\$108.55
WILLIAMSBURG, ST PAULS NIGHTLIGHTS (inactive)	\$0.00
WILTON, ZION EVENTIDE (15)	\$205.83
WILTON, ZION LADIES AID (inactive)	\$0.00
Total of Society Contributions April 1 - September 30, 2013	\$29,514.26

ZONE RECEIPTS

BENTON	\$249.75
CEDAR RAPIDS	\$0.00
CLINTON	\$0.00
DAVENPORT	\$0.00
DUBUQUE	\$0.00
ELDORA	\$838.00
MARSHALTOWN	\$12.00
MT PLEASANT	\$0.00
ST ANSGAR	\$17.78
WATERLOO	\$0.00
WESTGATE	\$9.78
WILLIAMSBURG	\$387.00
Total of Zone Contributions April 1 – September 30, 2013	\$1,514.31
MISC DONORS RECEIPTS	\$725.00
LWML IED DIRECT RECEIPTS	\$1,850.69
Sub Total Receipts	\$33,604.26
IED - LWML STUDENT AID ENDOWMENT FUND INTEREST	\$843.15
TOTAL RECEIPTS April 1 – September 30, 2013	\$34,447.41

37TH BIENNIAL LWML IOWA EAST DISTRICT CONVENTION, JUNE 20-21, 2014



“Jesus spoke to them saying, ‘I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.’” John 8:12. This is the theme verse for the 37th Biennial LWML IED Convention to be held at the Marshalltown Best Western Regency Hotel and Convention Center, June 20-21, 2014. The LWML women of the Eldora Zone invite you to join them for an inspirational and fun convention. Linda Reiser, LWML President from 2003-2007, will be the keynote speaker. We will also hear from Mission speakers, Rev. Randall Golter, Executive Director of the Office of International Mission and Rev. Andrew Richard, pastor of St. Silas Lutheran Church, North Liberty, IA. Plan now to attend!

The convention reservation form and the room reservation form are included in this issue of the Alive. Rooms are available in the Best Western Regency or the Super 8, located side by side and sharing a parking lot. This location is an easy drive to the intersection of highways US 30 and IA 14. There will be Bible study, Gifts from the Heart, servant events, great speakers, YWR's, fellowship, and more. Be lifted in love and the Word and “Rejoice in the Light” at the 2014 LWML IED Convention.

Linda Berghofer and Joy Reinert
Co-Chairmen for the 2014 LWML IED Convention

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TREASURER REPORT

Remember, Remember, Remember?

Oh how much harder that is to do the older I get. Remembering our Father in Heaven is not hard to remember. Remembering to put our mites in our mite boxes isn't hard to remember. What we all need to remember to do is to take the mite boxes to church and then get the mites sent to District. We have a mite goal of \$85,000 for the biennium that ends on March 31, 2014. We know that 2014 is fast approaching as the snow is falling and the days are shorter.



We have until the convention to vote on new Mission Grants, but we only have until March 31, 2014 to pay on the Grants chosen in Dubuque. We need to pay one \$5000 Grant in each of the months of November, December, January, February, and March. Keep those mites coming and pray that the total amount can be paid by the end of the Biennium.

As we remember the gifts we have been blessed with this holiday season, let us remember to Thank God for every one of them.

Marcia Reints
LWML IED Treasurer



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Does your society or Zone need some direction? Check the LWML Web site – there are many resources available. The URL is <http://www.lwml.org/resources/hope-committee/>

Another helpful resource may be “Meetings, Bylaws, and More” found on the web site at <http://www.lwml.org/resources/meetings-bylaws-more.php> I suggest you explore – there are so many helps, suggestions and ideas – and the wonderful thing is that they are updated and ever changing – so there is never an end of “new” things to explore!

If you need personal assistance with rejuvenating or starting a group, contact Kathy Schweer who has been trained to assist LWML groups as our MMV (Mission, Ministry, Vision) Consultant. Her phone number is 319-337-6999.

God’s blessings to you as you serve Him!

Judy Westergren

Vice President of Organizational Resources

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LWML IED FALL RETREAT

Spectacular weather greeted approximately 70 people at Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca for this year’s retreat. “Fear Not” was the theme of the retreat hosted by the ladies of the Mt. Pleasant Zone on September 13-14.

Early arrivers enjoyed a hay rack ride tour of the camp or they tied quilts to donate to Great River Hospice in West Burlington. Friday evening opened with devotions and dinner. After dinner Pastor Williamson led Bible study on Psalm 27. Following a PING presentation and closing devotions we enjoyed a bonfire with lots of impromptu singing and joke telling. Late into the night many ladies were playing cards and board games along with raiding the overflowing snack table.



Saturday morning found those who wished enjoying the faith walk along the camp road. After breakfast morning Bible study was led by Rev. Rempfer on Psalm 46. The featured speaker for the weekend was Debbie Young, who spoke to us as Ruth.

Following lunch we enjoyed a skit by the district Christian Growth committee. Our final Bible study, Fear into Thanksgiving, was presented by Rev. Jeff Pautz, Mt. Pleasant Zone counselor.

Sprinkled throughout the two days were several get-to-know-you activities and lots of enthusiastic and energizing singing. Generous amounts of supplies for the camp and food items for the University of Iowa Children’s hospital were donated by attendees.

The ladies of the Mt. Pleasant Zone would like to thank everyone who came to the retreat. If you have never attended a retreat make plans to attend next year. It is sure to be a joyful and uplifting experience.



LWML IED FALL RETREAT PHOTOS



PING TEAM



PRES. JANICE



REV. REMPFER



REV. PAUTZ



REV. WILLIAMSON



FAITH WALK



QUILT TYING



CHRISTIAN GROWTH



OUTDOOR



FRIENDS

Society

The LWML of St Paul's, Delaware received the gift of Donna Pyle's Bible Study called "Your Strong Suit". They wanted to share this gift with others so they planned an evangelism event for Saturday October 19th. All women of the church were invited to bring a guest. The day of the meeting was beautiful. It started with a devotion led by Pastor Krause. The first lesson of the Bible study was given and the ladies loved it. They asked if they could do it again soon.

A massage therapist came and instructed the ladies in teams of 2 how to give a hand massage. The art of hand massage is personal and can be used in evangelism. All participants received a treat bag that included candy, pastor's business card with a magnet on the back, and other items. The bag was tied with a ribbon and a book mark on the outside listing the different opportunities we have in our church.



SONshine Circle of Peace Lutheran Church in Oelwein, has been busy during our first year of existence. The Discipline calendar activity provided many smiles throughout the month, with the money collected used for purchasing the material for the school kits sent to Lutheran World Relief missions.

On LWML Sunday, members of SONshine Circle were recognized after the church service. All members of the congregation were invited for fellowship where the theme, "Muffins for Mites," was observed. Congregational members enjoyed muffins and we collected donations for mites which would be sent to missions.

In October, we were privileged to honor our church's 29 living and deceased veterans. Each veteran was introduced after the church service and received a book containing pictures and information about the veterans. Military uniforms and a bulletin board were on display for everyone to enjoy during the after church fellowship with refreshments.

Prayer pals were revealed in December and new ones drawn for the coming year. It was fun receiving and sending "secret" cards and remembrances throughout the year. The Giving Tree in December provided much enthusiasm for our society members and other congregation members. One week prior to Christmas, the recipient families were given wrapped items to open and enjoy with their family members. As Jesus says in Acts 20:35, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

MEET YOUR

Zone

PRESIDENTS



DIANE RABE

BENTON ZONE PRESIDENT

Diane is a member of Grace Lutheran Church, Blairstown. Diane enjoys making jewelry, crafts, gardening, and spending time with her family.



ANGIE BANKO

MOUNT PLEASANT ZONE PRESIDENT

Angie is a member of Our Savior Lutheran Church, Muscatine. Angie enjoys doing cross-stitch, quilting, and reading.



PING, an acronym for Prepare, Inspire, Nourish, and Go was the theme of a workshop held on August 24, at St. Paul's Lutheran in Marion. Forty-three women and Pastor Williamson were in attendance. Pastor Williamson examined each of PING words during Bible inspiration times using the process of brewing tea to illustrate. The Iowa East PING team, consisting of Marcia Reints, Diane Paulson, and Janice Johnston plus national LWML committee members Joan Berquist and Martha Hartwig, exposed the women to many new LWML resources with useful ideas for both local societies and reaching out to other women of the church. Archivist Historian Luella Scott shared information for societies and zones on what to keep and what to throw. The women of St. Paul's provided delicious mid-morning treats and lunch. We laughed and sang (accompanied by Pam Williamson), listened and talked. It was a great day!



ARCHIVIST-HISTORIAN

What are the responsibilities of an archivist-historian? This is a position that isn't very well known for its duties. Examining the definition of the dual word, we find that archivist means preserving articles of historical value and historian collects or records the items to be preserved. Regardless of what organization you are serving as a historian, whether it is a congregation, church organization, or secular organization, the following are basic guidelines of what to save, what to toss, and what to pass on.

What to save items are signed executive board and regular meeting minutes. These include handouts at meetings, elected and appointed officer reports, printed material from special meetings, biennium reports, newsletters, photographs identified, and photo copy of newspaper clippings.

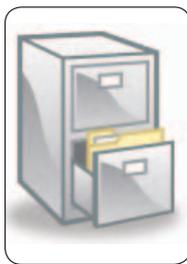
What to toss are unidentified photos, multiple copies of officer reports and newspaper clippings after they have been photo-copied.

What to pass on to the next person taking your position are officer reports to the board of directors, files from preceding terms, documents reflecting any actions that affect the workings of your position and updated set of guidelines for your position, including all actions required of your position that are not specifically mentioned in the by-laws.

These guidelines, especially what to pass on, should be helpful for any office that you hold in any organization.

Luella Scott

LWML IED Archivist-Historian



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

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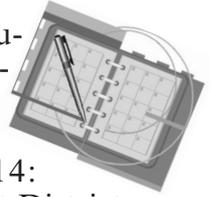
March 31, 2014: LWML IED 2012-2014 biennium ends

May 1, 2014: Last day for LWML IED reduced convention registration fee

May 1, 2014: Student Aid Application deadline

June 20-21, 2014: LWML Iowa East District Convention, Marshalltown

June 25-28, 2015: LWML Convention, Des Moines, Iowa



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